# Commission on Animal Care & Control Minutes of May 16, 2019 Commission Meeting Approved at the September 19, 2019 Meeting

### **Commissioners Attending (6 of 9)**

Cynthia Bathurst, Chair, private citizen (Safe Humane Chicago)
Charleen Propsom, private citizen (Friends of Chicago Animal Care and Control)
Paula Fasseas, humane society representative (PAWS Chicago)
Tonette Dugar, Chicago Department of Streets & Sanitation Member
Janna Kerins, Chicago Health Department Member
Monique Moore-Hoffman, private citizen (CACC Volunteer)

# Commissioners Absent (3 of 9)

DVM, IL licensed veterinarian (Vacant)
George Devereux, Chicago Police Department Member
Private citizen (Vacant)

### **Also Attending**

Kelley Gandurski, Executive Director, CACC
Mamadou Diakhate, Deputy Director, CACC
Arthur Hamilton, Shelter Manager, CACC
Jenny Schlueter, Executive Administrative Assistant II, CACC
Susan Cappello, Administrative Services Officer II, CACC
Members of the public

### Agenda Item #1: Determination of Quorum and Call to Order

C. Bathurst called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m. in the Auditorium of the Animal Care & Control Facility at 2741 S. Western Ave. Chicago and a quorum was determined.

### Agenda Item #2: Minutes of Previous Meetings

The minutes from the March 21, 2019 meeting were reviewed and approved.

# Agenda Item #3: Report of Chairperson

C. Bathurst reported that there are currently 7 Commission Members as Becky Carroll recently resigned as Commissioner and the Veterinarian spot is still open; there will be a new Mayor sworn in soon and the Commission will be sending the new Mayor an invite to attend an upcoming Commission meeting. The Commission is waiting to review the Departments Continual Improvement Plan so a letter of support can be written.

# Agenda Item #4: Report of Executive Director

Executive Director K. Gandurski reported on statistics, Zombie Raccoons, Leash law, the Mass Care Plan for the City of Chicago, the Continual Improvement Plan, departmental vacancies, the new foster program to go live on May 1<sup>st</sup>, and adoptions for heartworm positive dogs.

### Agenda Item #5: City Agency Reports

- Health Dr. J. Kerins reported on zombie raccoon reports and a recent rash of illness to owners of pet hedgehogs from salmonella.
- Police No report.

• Streets & Sanitation – T. Dugar reported that the Department is continuing to use the 2 scanners provided to them from CACC to scan dead animals.

# **Agenda Item #6: Commissioner Reports**

- C. Propsom reported on the new Friends of Chicago Animal Care and Control (FCACC) brochure, thanked volunteers for their hard work and an update on the MOU with CACC for afterhours emergency care.
- M. Moore-Hoffman reported that she has been the only volunteer working in Pavilion G during the new open selection process
- P. Fassaes reported that Angels with Tails is set for May 19<sup>th</sup>.
- C. Bathurst reported on the work approved on the runs and playlots in the back yard at CACC but Safe Humane needed some additional funding.

# **Agenda Item #7: Other Business**

None

# Agenda Item #8: New Business

The next Commission meeting will be on July 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. at CACC.

### Agenda Item #9: Public Comments and Announcements

- Suzy Thomas Do all CPD Stations have scanners and have all officers been trained?
- Amy Abramson How many employees are there on each shift to clean and feed the animals? Found at least 10 without watcher in Pavilion C. Can CACC translate the Adoption Contract to Spanish for adopters?
- Jenny Jurcak Why are animals still going to rescues without foster homes? With 3 APC's why isn't CACC checking on the quality of life rather than a number?

Executive Director K. Gandurski thanked CACC staff for everything that they do on a daily basis.

# Agenda Item #10: Adjournment

Meeting adjourned unanimously at 9:35 a.m. Next meeting is July 18, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.